ATTORNEY DOCKET NO: KCX-669 (19587) IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Venturino, et al. in re Application of: Group Art Unit: 3761 Serial No: 10/721.829 Examiner: Unknown Filed: November 24, 2003 04-1403 Our Account No: Confirmation No: Customer No: 22827 Title: Folded Absorbent Product And Method) Of Producing Same Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: The following is an Information Disclosure Statement for the captioned patent application, pursuant to 37 CFR Sections 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98. 1.[x] Attached hereto is: A list of materials for consideration per Rule 98(a)(1): 1 page(s) A legible copy of each patent, publication, or other item listed per Rule 98(1)(2), unless not required per Rule b.[x] 98 and/or as indicated on the attached list(s): _6_ item(s) For each non-English language item listed, pursuant to Rule 98(a)(3), a concise explanation of the relevance c.[] thereof as it is presently understood by the individual designated in Rule 56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of such items: [] Such explanation is provided in the Search Report from a corresponding application enclosed herewith along with any enclosed translation into English. 2.[x] This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed [CHECK ONE]: WITHIN THREE MONTHS of the application filing date, national stage date of entry, or along with or a.[] after a request for continued examination, OR BEFORE the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, which ever event occurs last, WHEREFORE per Rule 97(b) NO filing fee or Rule 97(e) certificate is required.

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